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06-10-14 Notice of Readoption of Emergency Rulemaking.pdf

06-10-14 Readopted SB 4 Interim WST Regulations and Revised IWSN Form.pdf

The California Department of Conservation (DOC) today is giving public notice regarding the re-adoption of interim regulations to govern oil and gas well stimulation treatment until DOC's proposed permanent regulations are completed and become effective. The interim well stimulation regulations were initially established on January 1, 2014. The proposed permanent regulations were publicly noticed on November 15, and DOC anticipates that the permanent regulations will be effective on January 1, 2015.

These interim regulations were established under an emergency rulemaking process to ensure that they were in place when Senate Bill 4 became effective on January 1, 2014. These interim rules ensure that there is a regulatory structure consistent with Senate Bill 4 in place for well stimulation activities between January 1, 2014 and January 1, 2015. However, state law states that emergency rulemaking such as these interim regulations only have a 6-month lifespan before they must be extended. This readoption of the Interim Regulations serves to extend those rules. The Notice of Proposed Emergency Rulemaking Action and the text of the SB 4 Interim Well Stimulation Treatment Regulations are attached. The emergency rulemaking process includes a limited opportunity to submit comments on the proposed regulations. Information about the process for submitting comments is included in the attached notice.

For more information about well stimulation treatment and DOC's proposed regulations please visit [www.conservation.ca.gov](http://www.conservation.ca.gov).